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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/003,113

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For: IMAGE CODING/DECODING METHOD, IMAGE

CODING APPARATUS AND IMAGE DECODING

APPARATUS FOR OBTAINING DECODED

IMAGES HAVING SMALL DISTORTION IN DCT

BASED STANDARD CODING/DECODING

Group Art Unit: 2624 Examiner: HUNG, Y.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Request for Reconsideration, Request for Extension of Time (3 Month)

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